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Main aim of the conference is to enable young researchers (post-graduate, master or doctoral student, or a PhD holder younger than 35) working in the field of materials science and engineering, to meet their colleagues and exchange experiences about their research.

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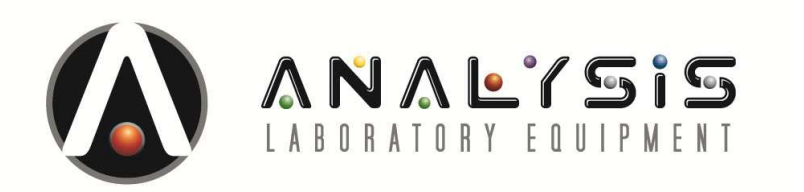

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Characterization of a new Yb^{3+}/Er^{3+} doped $SrGd_2O_4$ up-conversion nanomaterial obtained *via* glycine-assisted combustion synthesis

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In this work we present new up-conversion materials, consisted of $SrGd_2O_4$ matrix co-doped with different Yb^{3+} (1, 2.5 and 5 at%) and constant Er^{3+} (0.5 at%) concentrations, prepared by gycine-assisted combustion method. X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) showed that as-synthesized nanoparticles have orthorhombic structure (Pnma), assigned to the JCPDS Card No:01-072-6387. Rietveld refinement indicated a decrease in the size of the unit cell, lattice parameters, and cell volume, due to successful doping of Yb^{3+} and Er^{3+} ions into the matrix. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) revealed that obtained nanostructure is composed of agglomerated nanoparticles, while energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) confirmed uniform distribution of all constituting elements in them. Up-conversion (UC) luminescence spectra measured in function of laser pumping power indicated that two-photon UC process is established in nanoparticles as a result of the trivalent erbium f-f electronic transitions: there are two green emission bands at 523 and 551 nm ($^2H_{11/2}$, $^4S_{3/2} \rightarrow {}^4I_{15/2}$) and a red emission band at 661 nm ($^4F_{9/2} \rightarrow {}^4I_{15/2}$). The rise of Yb^{3+} concentration from 1 to 5 at% provokes a considerable change of the green to red ratio which indicates the possibility to optimize the color output.